

Application No.: 10/731,163  
Response to Restriction Requirement and  
Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 dated February 25, 2005  
Reply to the Office Action dated January 25, 2005


**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 25, 2004. In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), Claims 1 -5; Group (II), Claims 6 - 9 and 24; Group (III), Claims 10 - 13; Group (IV), Claims 14 - 17 and 25 - 26 and Group (V), Claims 18 - 23.

New claims 27-30 were added. Claims 1-30 remain pending. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the subject matter of Group (II), Claims 6 - 9 and 24, as well as newly added claims 27 - 30, for prosecution in this application. The Applicant retains its rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121.

If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

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